

COURT OF APPEALS' CASE ACTIVITY FOR 2003-2007

FILINGS BY CATEGORY & RATIO TO DISPOSITIONS

	2003 ^a	2004 ^a	2005 ^a	2006	2007
Mandatory Appeal & Bar Cases					
Pending Jan. 1	2,415	2,319	2,361	2,518	2,613
Filings:					
Criminal	633	822	716	662	619
Civil	531	415	367	392	365
Family	195	186	174	188	128
Agency	114	125	219	242	220
Special Proceedings	13	16	16	2	11
Bar Cases	96	115	95	139	94
Total Filings	1,582	1,679	1,587	1,625	1,437
Reinstated	29	23	28	28	40
Available for Disposition	4,026	4,021	3,976	4,171	4,090
Total Dispositions	1,707	1,660	1,458	1,558	1,763
Pending Dec. 31	2,319	2,361	2,518	2,613	2,327
Original Jurisdiction Matters					
Pending Jan. 1	4	2	1	2	-
Filings	77	70	57	45	56
Dispositions	79	71	56	47	55
Pending Dec. 31	2	1	2	-	1
Discretionary Jurisdiction Matters					
Pending Jan. 1	3	2	2	-	3
Filings	52	24	21	17	17
Dispositions	53	24	23	14	19
Pending Dec. 1	2	2	-	3	1
Total Filings	1,711	1,773	1,665	1,687	1,510
Total Dispositions	1,839	1,755	1,537	1,619	1,837
Clearance Rate^b	107%	99%	92%	96%	122%

^a Figures revised to reflect additional filings from Superior Court not previously reported.

^b The clearance rate, a measure of court efficiency, is the total number of cases disposed divided by the total number of cases added to the caseload (i.e., new filings and reinstated) during a given time period. Rates of over 100% indicate that the court disposed of more cases than were added, thus reducing the pending caseload.

DISPOSITIONS BY METHOD

	2003	2004	2005	2006 ^a	2007
Opinion	299	295	323	302	349
Memorandum Opinion & Judgment	619	506	512	547	646
Judgment	57	84	51	73	136
Order	864	870	651	697	706
Total	1,839	1,755	1,537	1,619	1,837

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MOTIONS & PETITIONS

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Procedural Motions	5,243	4,738	4,249	4,715	4,431
Substantive Motions	1,667	1,618	1,603	1,286	1,467
Petitions for Rehearing/Rehearing En Banc	221	188	208	153	157

TIME ON APPEAL (Number of Days)

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Overall Time On Appeal^a					
Average	623	550	562	575	645
Median	475	412	439	446	505
Time from Notice of Appeal to Filing of Trial Court or Agency Record					
Average	317	288	249	246	256
Median	196	149	131	149	124
Time from filing of Trial Court or Agency Record to Completed Briefing by the Parties					
Average	270	245	220	256	254
Median	170	155	148	189	158
Time from Completed Briefing to Argument or Submission					
Average	150	174	192	202	210
Median	149	176	186	213	204
Time from Argument or Submission to Court Decision					
Average	107	115	125	117	185
Median	16	19	21	17	27
Overall Time On Appeal for Certain Matters					
Bar Cases					
Average	435	470	516	450	371
Median	279	414	420	282	269
Original Jurisdiction Matters					
Average	11	15	14	17	12
Median	8	7	8	8	7
Discretionary Jurisdiction Matters					
Average	32	45	22	31	28
Median	27	33	20	29	28

^aThe time includes periods when cases are not under active processing by the Court of Appeals. For example, these figures include times during which some appeals are stayed for reasons such as bankruptcy or further trial court proceedings. In reciprocal bar matters, the Court opens a case file upon notification that another jurisdiction has disciplined a member of the D.C. Bar, but will not commence active processing of the matter until it received a Report and Recommendation from the Board on Professional Responsibility.

BAR ADMISSIONS

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Admission to Bar by Examination:					
Applications Filed	830	777	687	828	687
Applications Withheld	117	111	94	133	100
Applications Rejected	15	16	16	28	28
Unsuccessful Applicants	351	325	288	341	359
Successful Applicants	362	341	305	354	328
Applicants Admitted	337	337	305	334	325
Admission to Bar by Motion:					
Applications Filed	2,611	2,752	3,610	3,201	3,234
Applications Admitted	2,157	2,629	2,741	3,621	3,137
Applicants Rejected	2	6	10	18	8
Certificates of Good Standing	8,153	9,448	9,053	9,546	9,850
Certification for Law Student in Court Program	395	351	306	283	283
Certification as Special Legal Consultant	15	9	9	7	13

BAR DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Disbarments	26	29	37	35	23
Suspensions	11	24	41	29	33
Public Censure	6	7	10	8	8
Petitions for Reinstatement	3	3	2	2	2
Petitions for Formal Hearings	57	22	22	35	38
Miscellaneous Petitions	11	5	7	7	11